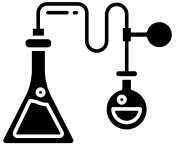


FACULTY & COLLEGE SHOWCASE

The Division of Academic Affairs has outstanding faculty with excellence in teaching, research, and service. We are proud to recognize those individuals/colleges who have demonstrated unwavering excellence by advancing scholarship through presentations, publications, and research.



College of Arts & Sciences

HBCU Education & the Freedom to Read at American Education Week Event



Dr. Darilyn Mercadel of the Department of Teaching Learning and Professional Development and Dr. Kim Evelyn of the Department of Language, Literature, and Cultural Studies were honored to participate in an American Education Week 2023 event hosted by BSU's Thurgood Marshall Library and the Friends of Historic Mt. Nebo Preservation Corporation, "Education in the 19th and 20th Century in Prince George's County: Reassess and Recommit." Coordinated by the library's Dean Sophia Sotilleo, the event featured historians, educators, and former students discussing the county's historic schoolhouses and 19th- and 20th-century efforts to improve access to education, particularly for Black children in the county. In their presentation, "Let Freedom Read," Dr. Mercadel and Dr. Evelyn discussed HBCU education, banned books, and the freedom to read as they considered the challenges 21st-century educators face and how to meet them in ways that best serve today's students.

Bowie State University Gospel Choir Presents Fall Concert "A Gospel Christmas"

The Bowie State University Gospel Choir presented their Fall Concert titled "A Gospel Christmas" on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at 5 pm in The Dionne Warwick Theater in the Fine & Performing Arts Center. Special guests included Master of Ceremonies, Pastor Tony Herndon of Grace Nation Ministry, Capitol, Heights, Maryland, 10-year-old Singing Sensation Jordan Brown, Washington, DC, Bowie State Alumni, Marcus Burke, Keyboardist of Laurel, MD and Guest Praise and Worship and Gospel Artist, Tim Smith.

The Gospel Choir performed gospel choir repertoire by Kirk Franklin and Norman Hutchins, such as "Emmanuel," "Silent Night," and "Now Behold The Lamb," just to name a few. Also, the Gospel Choir performed "Joyful, Joyful" from Sister Act II with Professor LaTonya Wrenn directing as the Nun, played by Whoopi Goldberg, bringing the audience to a standing ovation.





BSU DanceShare: A Celebration of Student Creativity and Performance

The Fine and Performing Arts Department and BSU Theatre's DanceShare is an opportunity for all Bowie State University students to share works of dance choreography. Set in the Movement Studio in FPAC, this informal performance gives students of all majors an outlet to perform dance in front of an audience. The Collective, DPFA's student dance company, as well as dance technique courses and many students who love to dance shared their performances on December 1 & 2, 2023.

Please contact Jennifer Dorsey at jdorsey@bowiestate.edu if you would like to view the recording of the performance and mark your calendars for the upcoming dance concerts:

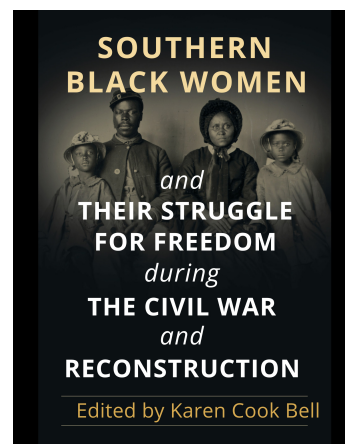
- *Senior Dance Capstone Performance*: Saturday, December 9 @ 7:30 pm Dionne Warwick Theatre
- *Excellence in Black Dance - The Collective* February 23-24, 2024 @ 7:30 pm, February 24 @ 2:30 Dionne Warwick Theatre
- *BSU Dance Concert*- April 19 & 20 @ 7:30pm Dionne Warwick Theatre

Unveiling Black Women's Resilience in the Post-War Era



Dr. Karen Cook Bell is editor of the forthcoming book *Southern Black Women and Their Struggle for Freedom during the Civil War and Reconstruction* (Cambridge University Press, Jan. 2024). The contributors to this volume each bring new perspectives to our understanding of how Black women navigated the turmoil of the Civil War and Reconstruction. There are nine chapters in this volume by historians Katherine Chilton, Felicia Jamison, Arlisha Norwood, Kaisha Esty, Crystal Feimster, Kelly Jones, Brandi Brimmer, Hilary Green, and Karen Cook Bell. Collectively, this edited volume underscores the diverse experiences of southern Black women across time and space in Washington, D.C., Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama, and Arkansas. The book is available at www.cambridge.org and Amazon.

Dr. Karen Cook Bell has been appointed to the editorial board of the *Journal of African American History* and has been elected to the Executive Council of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), the founders of Black History Month.



Save the Date Community Messiah Sing Along

Ring in the Holiday Season with singing Christmas choruses of Handel's Messiah by blending your voice with an august gathering of choirs, ensembles, community participants and Orchestra from across the region in the annual Community-wide Messiah Sing Along. Handel's Messiah is not regularly performed in Prince George's County and we hope you can join us in the choir or in the audience for this FREE concert. Generous donations are graciously accepted to support the Bowie State Music Department and vocal scholarships through the BSU Foundation.

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For more info contact Professor Felder at bfelder@bowiestate.edu



Headshot of Public Services Intern, Ali Smith. Photo provided by Ali Smith.

From Microfilm to Legal History: BSU Student Uncovers Hidden Stories of Race Track Road

Ali Smith, a senior majoring in History and Government and a previous recipient of the Fannie Angelos scholarship, indexed more than 100 microfilm reels containing court opinions from the late 19th to the mid-20th century. However, the collection lacked a finding aid, making locating specific information challenging. In response to this challenge, Mr. Smith extracted metadata from the collection to create a public index, making the materials more accessible to researchers.

During his research, Ali stumbled upon an exciting case that involved illegal gambling near Bowie State University. The case, *Lewis L. Brown v. U.S.* (1929), involved a man who was prosecuted for operating a gambling site that focused on horse racing. The location of the illegal bets was the Bowie Race Track, which was just a few steps away from the university.

This case led Ali to explore the history of the university and the city of Bowie further, resulting in unexpected connections and historical insights. Mr. Smith emphasizes the valuable experience and knowledge gained through his internship.

Read the full interview.

BSU Students Moderated Bowie City Council and Mayoral Candidates Forum



Photo Credit - League of Women Voters of Prince George's County

Mr. Angelo Price and Ms. Christiana Nurse served as co-moderators for the Prince George's County League of Women Voter's Bowie City Council and Mayoral Candidates Forum held Wednesday, November 1st, at 6:30pm at the Kenhill Center in Bowie, Maryland. Mr. Price and Ms. Nurse were responsible for developing and asking questions posed to the candidates. Mr. Price is currently a junior Honors College student and History and Government major. Ms. Nurse is currently a senior History and Government major. Both students will be working with Dr. Carmen Walker, Associate Professor of Government, and other students in a collaborative project to provide legislative and public policy research to the Prince George's County chapter of the League of Women Voters. The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization of men and women dedicated to "informed and active participation of citizens in government." (www.lwvpgcmd.org).

Angelo is fourth from the left with sweater and tie and Christiana is to the right of him.



College of Education

Empowering Educational Leaders to Combat Antisemitic Views

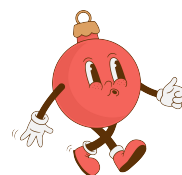
Professor Ann Hilliard authored a book chapter titled, Educational Leaders Can Be Proactive in Addressing Antisemitic Views. Book title: Confronting Antisemitism on Campus. Peter Lang Publisher. 2023.

Harvard Business Publishing Education Certificate

Dr. Hyacinth Anucha, Associate Professor in the Department of Educational Studies and Leadership completed coursework for the Teaching with Cases: Engage, Energize, and Challenge Your Students, at Harvard Business Publishing Education. Received the Certificate from Harvard University Business School in 2023.

Share your accomplishments with us!

Send information on your recent presentations, awards, grants, acknowledgments and other accomplishments to academicaffairshappens@bowiestate.edu.





Thurgood Marshall Library

New Journal Subscriptions Coming in 2024

Thurgood Marshall Library, with the help of some of our faculty members, has acquired several new journals and packages for the University listed below.

- The Journal of Urban Studies
- The Journal of Black Men
- Social Work Abstracts
- Subject Bundles: Social Work, Mental Health and Social Care, Medical Subscriptions, Chemistry, and Arts & Humanities from Taylor & Francis

Are you interested in helping with collection development at BSU? We have received a free trial for Infobase: Films on Demand Academic Collection. Please look into this resource here and share any feedback with Etana Laing (elaing@bowiestate.edu), Acquisitions Library Associate at Thurgood Marshall Library. We welcome all faculty input as we work to increase the information available to our campus community. See you in the library!

HistoryMakers Libguide

Thurgood Marshall Library is proud to have the HistoryMakers Oral History database at Bowie State University! It features stories told by Black change makers and is a great resource for bringing your lessons to life. We have compiled a Story Set featuring Bowie State alumni, former faculty, and other stakeholders. Additionally, we have created an extra credit assignment to teach students how to use the database that is available on request.

Here's the link to the database:
https://bowiestate.libguides.com/history_makers



College of Business

The Effect Of Positive And Negative Covid-19 Announcements On The U.S. Stock Markets

On November 4th, the Human Resource Development Graduate Program held its annual symposium which focused on the Future of Work: Exploring AI in HR and Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB).

Some key takeaways from this event include the notion that while AI is anticipated to replace a number of jobs on one hand, it is on the other hand set to create even more jobs. Additionally, participants were introduced to concepts such as 'Algorithm Biases' which can be evident in how AI responds to certain situations or demographics. Some proposed solutions to these biases is to have an AI application audit system which is all inclusive and also to invest in 'Ethical AI'. Attendees were left with some key concepts such as: 'Use AI, do not let AI use you'; 'AI is human intelligence in the absence of the human'; 'AI cannot replace human connection'.



GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS

GET THE SUPPORT YOU NEED TO SUCCEED

The Provost's Office in collaboration with all the divisions on campus has launched a campaign to support student success and retention. The slogan, Graduate in Four Years - Get the Support You Need to Succeed, is designed to connect students with the resources that will contribute to strengthening their learning, addressing any challenges they may face, and providing them with the guidance they need to be successful. Check out the link below to see all the support services available!

<https://www.bowiestate.edu/academics/support-services/student-success-center/index.php>

The Effect Of Positive And Negative Covid-19 Announcements On The U.S. Stock Markets

The interdisciplinary paper "The Effect of Positive and Negative COVID-19 Announcements on the U.S. Stock Markets" by Dr. Sunando Sengupta, Dr. Tibebe Assefa, and Dr. Satina Williams in the Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics in the College of Business was accepted for presentation at the at National Association of Business, Economics, and Technology (NABET)Annual Conference at State College, PA on November 2nd and 3rd, 2023. Here is the link : NABETus 2023 Conference

Authors Drs. Assefa and Sengupta successfully presented the paper on Nov 3rd in one of their morning sessions.

<https://nabet.us/ocs/index.php/nabet/NABETus2023>

The Division of Academic Affairs has outstanding staff who lead with excellence. We are proud to share their achievements.

BSU Celebrates International Education Week: Embracing Global Understanding and Cultural Exchange



International Education Week is an annual partnership between the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education. The initiative focuses on the promotion of global understanding and aims to prepare Americans to be future leaders with an understanding of international themes through cultural exchange and classroom experiences.

The delegation of the Embassy of Cote D'Ivoire shared a collection of national artifacts and traditional foods of Côte d'Ivoire followed by a keynote speech by the 1st Counselor of the Embassy of Cote D'Ivoire, Mathieu Toure on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2-4 pm. in the Center for Natural Sciences Beacon Room.

International Education Week highlights and celebrates the international students and faculty that are a part of Bowie State's fabric while spotlighting BSU's study abroad programs and other opportunities for students to add a global perspective to their academic experience. There are currently 170 international undergraduate and graduate students at Bowie State representing over 31 countries.

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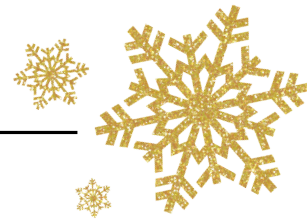


Journey Beyond Campus: Online Programs and Regional Higher Education Centers

BSU Online Programs, under the leadership of Dr. Kimetta Hairston and her exceptional team, have surged with innovation, introducing nine online programs since Fall 2022. Undergraduates can explore Computer Science, Computer Technology, and Criminal Justice, while graduates have access to advanced degrees like a master's in Management Information Systems, and Culturally Responsive Teacher Leadership, and a doctorate in Education Leadership.

Continuing the commitment to lifelong learning at BSU Regional Higher Education Centers offer Nursing and Sport Management programs at USMSM, and continue to grow to attract large numbers of students at the Universities at Shady Grove in Counseling Psychology. This initiative has propelled an academic revolution, redefining education in our communities.

Join us as we redefine education's landscape, embracing new opportunities for growth and excellence. This journey toward academic distinction invites all to participate, learn, and flourish. Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to expand horizons and empower futures.



GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK

Global Entrepreneurship Week was a resounding success for the Entrepreneurship Innovation Center (EIC), held November 13th- 17th.

The EIC held a week-long series of engaging activities that celebrated innovation and entrepreneurship. The festivities kicked off on Monday, focusing on unique celebratory souvenir design and production of EIC's GEW apparel in Makerspace. Tuesday saw the exciting emergence of the "Ask an Entrepreneur," series where the CEO of BAMBA Foods was invited to share his journey from the corporate world to becoming an entrepreneur.



The EIC collaborated with a community organization, 100 Diaspora Women, and the BSU International Student Association to host a student pitch competition. Eight hundred dollars in cash was awarded to students at the event. The week's events showcased creativity and collaboration and underscored the importance of fostering a supportive entrepreneurship ecosystem for aspiring entrepreneurship students all over the BSU campus.



BSU Participated in OECD EECOLE Second Roundtable



The Entrepreneurship Innovation Center's (EIC) Executive Director Johnnetta Hardy participated in the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development's (OECD) Entrepreneurship Education Collaboration and Engagement (EECOLE) Second Roundtable on November 30-December 1. The Conference was in collaboration with the Treasure Board of Canada Secretariat, and Statistic Canada, and in partnership with the Economic Research Institute of ASEAN and East Asia, ERIA, and offered insights into how higher education institutions and their stakeholders and how they can actively promote entrepreneurial ecosystems, showcasing available evidence, knowledge, and international best practices. The Roundtable was hosted at the Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto and featured a field visit to MaRS, the innovation district in Toronto.

Photo below from OECD EECOLE with Johnnetta Hardy with Dr. Shawkat Ferdousi, Senior Policy Advisor, Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade Province of Ontario, centered, Patrick McQuown, Towson University's Entrepreneurship Center and the Team from OECD.

RESEARCH & AWARDS

Our focus in the Division of Academic Affairs is to continue to promote education through innovative academic research.

Grant Award - College of Business

Dr. Deborah Bailey in the Department of Management, Marketing and Public Administration, was awarded the total amount award \$105,000 from Prince George's County Department of Family Services.

2023-2024 Bowie State University Career/Collaboration and Research Excellence for Scholars (Bowie C2ARES) Internal Grant Program

Faculty and Staff Research and Scholarly Excellence: Supports Bowie State University faculty and staff at any stage in their career who are pursuing research, creative works, and other initiatives that can lead to external funding or commercialization, including pilot and planning projects; also supports projects to establish collaborations with scholars in different disciplines, at Bowie State University, other institutions, and/or in other sectors (industry, healthcare, public schools, etc.) that will leverage resources, offer new opportunities, or improve the breadth and scope of broader impacts to the field and to society.

Applicants may request up to \$8,000 in funds from the Bowie C2ARES Program.

The proposal deadline is **February 19, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Here's the application link:

https://bsuonline.blackboard.com/webapps/login/?new_loc=%2Fwebapps%2Fblackboard%2Fcontent%2FlistContentEditable.jsp%3Fcontent_id%3D_18491177_1%26course_id%3D_64527_1%26mode%3Dreset

ORSP & Grants Accounting Office Hours

ORSP and Grants Accounting will be partnering on offering office hours starting on **January 15 from 12 pm -1 pm.**



The holiday season has come again; for many, it is a joyous time filled with family, friends, and festive fun. However, it is also a time to reflect on the past year's events and hopes for a new year.

As we look toward 2024 and all the new opportunities and promises it brings, it is important to take the experiences of this year and use them to uplift, serve as exemplars of change, and inspire ourselves and our community with empathy and gratitude.

Thank you for supporting and sharing your stories with *What's Happening in BSU's Academic Affairs?* But don't worry; we'll be back and ready to share your wonderful accomplishments with the BSU community in the spring.

Until next time, warm wishes,
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